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MEMORANDUM FOR: Warning Working Group Members

FROM : David Y. McManis  
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SUBJECT : Highlights

1. It has been some time since we have had a meeting of the Warning Working Group. In trying to work up an agenda, I have concluded that we would be having a meeting for the sake of having a meeting and none of us need that. Additionally, I have met with a number of you on specific items over the past few months. Therefore, instead of meeting, I am choosing to report a few highlights of our recent activities as a form of status report, and to attach a few key papers that have been prepared in my office which will give you some indication of our current directions.

--Doctrine. Attached at Tab A is an all-purpose paper which we have been circulating which attempts to describe the close relationship between warning and mobilization. Although written to describe the relationship with military readiness it could as easily be describing civil readiness and mobilization.

--Training. The warning syllabus is in its final iteration and we will provide copies to you in the near future. As indicated previously, we hope that it will become the basis for a variety of training programs within the intelligence and operational communities. The Foreign Service Institute has asked to play a role in the National Warning Training Working Group, and the National Defense University has also expressed interest.

--Command and Operation Centers. Initiatives for technical upgrades continue. The first of our orientations for watch standers was completed last week and appears to have been a major success.

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--ELINT Conference. During visits to several of the major commands over the past few months, I identified the need for a conference of the Chiefs of the ELINT processing centers. General Williams has supported the requirement, and DIA is seeking to establish such a conference in the near future.

2. Finally, I note the departure of a couple of our mainstays--Maj Gen John Marks and Mr. Jim Devine. They are being ably replaced by Maj Gen Jim Pfautz and Mr. Dean Spray respectively.

3. I appreciate very much your continued support and will schedule a meeting when there is a good, substantive reason. In the meantime, don't withhold any comments--favorable or otherwise.



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